"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

Had a chance this week to see the new honey house that Gilbert Mays has just completed. It's ample size, 30 x 60 feet, and ready to handle a big honey crop.

Next summer this would make an excellent field trip for youth or school groups who are interested in bees and learning how honey is prepared for market.

Gilbert tells me that 1978 was the largest Sourwood honey crop that has ever been produced. Sourwood honey, as many know, is the standard by which all other honey is measured.

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There are twelve new All-American selections for 1979. Starting today, we will feature weekly a picture and write up of one of these varieties.

I'm beginning to get a number of seed catalogs since you may already be planning for the spring garden, the 1979 All-American Selections are as follows: Sugar Snap, a gold medal edible podded snap pea; Saladin Hybrid, a silver medal cucumber; Sweet Mama Hybrid, bronze medal winter squash; Grand Duke Hybrid, bronze medal kohlrabi; Dutch Treat, bronze medal sweet pepper; Early Butternut Hybrid, bronze medal winter squash; Gold Sun Hybrid, bronze medal zinnia; Orange Prince Hybrid, Bronze medal pansy; Nicki Red Hybrid, bronze medal Nicotiana; Queen Sophia, bronze medal Dwarf French Marigold; Holiday Cheer, bronze medal ornamental pepper; and Peter Pan Gold Hybrid, bronze medal, zinnia.

To be selected for an All-American medal, entries of previously unsold varieties are seeded along side the best established varieties in each class. If the entry is significantly superior to the comparison variety in the majority of trials, it then is given a rating of bronze, silver or gold.

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Previously we've mentioned see several Appomattox growers attend. This organization just completed its 46th year of operation.

Patronage refund checks for 1967-68 have been mailed eligible producers. Management hopes to keep refunds on a ten year rotation.

A review of last year's operation showed a net profit of $53,598. It cost $2.92 to sell a hundred pounds of tobacco. The 1977-78 market averaged $96.55 while the 1976-77 market averaged $117.00 per hundredweight.

General optimism was expressed for the coming marketing season, which begins November 28.

UPCOMING DATES

Nov. 20 - 6:45 p.m. - Appomattox Cattlemen's Association

Dec. 6 - 10 a.m. - Area Dairy Meeting.

Dec. 7 - 6:30 p.m. - Annual Meeting - Lynchburg Feeder Cattle Assoc.

Dec. 12 - 9:30 a.m. - Winter Forage Conf.

Dec. 15 - 11 a.m. - Annual Meeting Lynchburg DHIA

Dec. 18 - 9:30 a.m. - Winter Forage Conf.

PRECIPITATION:

Last Week	.18
This Month	.18
This Year	34.92

BECKHAM

November 13 - Traci Schmutz spent the week end with Charlotte Moore.

Jennifer Schmutz visited Melanie Morris Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Drinkard and Kim visited Mr. and Mrs. Howlett Drinkard, Donald Lee and Miss Eunice Martin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris and Mrs. Winston Martin visited Mrs. Neva Hamilton of Lynchburg with other members of the family honoring her for her birthday Saturday night.

Mrs. Bennett Harding spent several days of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs Martin recently were Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Winston Martin, Mr. Alvin Bell, Mr. Clay Bell, Mr. and Mrs. James Martin, Rev. Jim Becker, Mr. Eugene Carson, Mr. Carey Carson, Mrs. Herbert Moore Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Martin and boys, Mrs. Geraldine Moore, Gwen Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Carter and Karen, Mrs. A. M. Johnston, Mrs. Lou Bryant, Mrs. Hubbard Moore, Kathy Martin and girlfriend, Mr. Carl Martin, Mr. Howlett Drinkard, Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Tracy Tweedy and Mr. and Mrs. Everette Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Martin, Jr., Mr. Fleming Drinkard, and Mr. and Mrs Gibbs Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Martin Sunday.

Michael Henderson is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Moore and Jerry Moore.

On Saturday night, November 18 at 8:00 p.m. the Spiritual Knights will be celebrating part one of their anniversary here. Many groups have been invited so plan now to attend.

On Sunday, November 19 at 3:00 p.m. Rev. Don Lewis will be preaching here as the usher board celebrates its anniversary.

On the 4th Sunday evening at 3:00 p.m. the Annual Memorial Service for Mrs. Mattie T. West will be held.

On Thanksgiving night at 8:00 p.m. Rev. Spears will be speaking here.

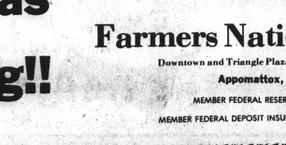
On Saturday December 2 the young adult choir will be sponsoring a supper at the Oakville Ruritan Club. There will be plates and sandwiches for sale and all home cooking. So plan to stop by now and get some good food.

Lecturer At ACHS

Look around you at the faces of people you see each day in class, on the job, in the offices. Are there those that you seem to overlook . . . those with no friends, no associates . . . real zeros!? "Cipher In the Snow" is a film about the tragic end of a young boy who had no friends and was sadly neglected by his parents, teachers and classmates.

Ms. Jeanne Bentley, Supervisor of Health Education for the Department of Education in Richmond, spent Monday, November 13, at ACHS, showing and discussing "Cipher in the Snow" with junior English classes. This type of child abuse results from a poor self-concept and no success in life. Ms. Bentley helped students understand their responsibilities now and later as parents, relatives and associates in being a model adult figure to younger children.

Ms. Bentley will return to ACHS on Monday, December 4, to talk with senior English classes. Anyone interested in attending her lecture is requested to inquire about further information from the Guidance Department at Appomattox County High School.



ACHS Business Students Visit Armstrong

Students from the Appomattox County High School business curriculum toured the Data Processing facilities at Armstrong Furniture Plant in Appomattox on November 9th.

Mike Bradley, manager of DATA Systems, explained the responsibilities of his department and demonstrated equipment capabilities.

Concord Young Homemakers Club

Lawyer, Robert J. Lyons, was speaker at the Concord Young Homemakers Club Monday night. He spoke on "Inheritance Taxes, Wills, Legal Documents."

The 23rd Annual Southside Area Convention of Young Homemakers, and Young Farmers, will be held Tuesday at the Holiday Inn South.

Charlotte Bryant of Concord, president of the Southside area young homemakers will preside over sessions of the one day convention.

Those attending from the Concord Young Homemakers Club are: Mrs. Charlotte Bryant, Evelyn Perrow, Betsy Martin, Evelyn Carroll, Colena Roberts, Hazel Robinson, Helen Franklin, Marie Perrow, Barbara Jordan, and Maude Braford,Chapter Adv.

Among highlights of the convention will be a talk on "How To Live At Your Best" by Dr. Charles H. Gibboney.

Attend Training Session

Girl Scout Troop No. 322 Patrol Leaders and assistants attended a Patrol Leader Training Session at Camp Hat Creek in Brookneal on Saturday, November 4. Those attending were Mrs. Ellen Armentrout, Troop Leader, and in photo, bottom row, left to right, Kelly Paulette and JoAnn Jamerson; and in back row, left to right, Cindy Clark, JoAnn Wooding, and Tracy Trent.

A good time was had learning how to pitch a tent, how to build a fire. We learned several dances and went on a hike.

JoAnn Jamerson, Reporter

Pamplin

Mrs. Richard Williams left last Saturday by plane to visiter her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shepherd and family in Savannah, Ga.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. Richard Carwile.

Mrs. Ernestine Pankey, of Salem, visited her aunt, Mrs. Frank Irving, last week end.

Mrs. G. R. Squires of "Lake of Woods", Fredericksburg, spent last week with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lusado.

Our sympathy is extended to Mrs. G. W. Slayton on the death of her sister, Mrs. Robert Atkins, of Pen Hook, Va.

The Pamplin Homemakers Club will meet at Pamplin United Methodist Church fellowship hall Thursday at 6:30 p.m. for a covered dish supper.

Mrs. Robert S. Harris left for Montclair, N.J., where she will join her sister, Mrs. Chester B. Harrison. They will visit Mrs. Harrison's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harrison, and family in Minneapolis, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St. John left for a visit with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis St. John and family in Canada.

Mrs. A. R. Southall visited relatives last week at Climax, Va.

CADET JAMES E. BOWER TO RECEIVE VMI CLASS RING

LEXINGTON, Nov. - Cadet James E. Bower of Appomattox, a member of Virginia Military Institute Class of 1980, will receive his VMI class ring in formal ceremony during the week end festivities Nov. 17-18. Official presentation of the rings will be made by Lt. Gen. Richard L. Irby, Institute superintendent.

A VMI ring, which carries great significance to alumni of the Institute, will be presented individually to each second classman (junior) during a Friday afternoon ceremony attended by family and dates of more than 300 members of the class. None of the rings will be worn, however, until Friday evening when they will be presented a second time during the traditional ring figure dance, a high point in cadet life at VMI.

Cadet Bower is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Sheilds of 404 Morton Lane. He is a 1976 graduate of Appomattox County High.

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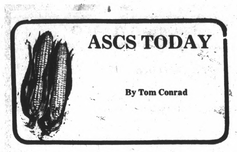

ASCS TODAY

By Tom Conrad

Virginia Corn Crop Forecast at 49,300,000 Bushels - Corn growers in Virginia expect to produce 49,300,000 bushels of corn for grain in 1978.

The production compares with the 30,800,000 bushel total in 1977 and 47,580,000 bushels in 1976.

Virginia producers expect to average 85 bushels per acre this year, compared with 55 last year, and 78 two years ago.

Nationally, the USDA forecast showed a record of 6.82 billion bushel production this year, based on an Oct. 1 survey. The figure is up less than 1 percent from the Sept. 1 forecast, but higher by 7 percent over the previous record finalized at 6.37 billion bushels last year. Average yield is predicted at a record 100.7 bushels per acre - up 9.7 bushels from 1977, and higher by 12.8 bushels over 1976.

ACP Emphasizes Pollution, Conservation Problems - The 1979 agricultural conservation program (ACP), recently announced by ASCS emphasizes rural pollution abatement and solutions to soil, water and woodland conservation problems.

ACP is one of the conservation programs administered by ASCS designed to assist farmers in solving pollution, soil, and water conservation problems. The ASC committee is responsible for determining the most needed practices to solve the conservation problems in Appomattox County.

Funded at $190 million, the National ACP provides both technical and financial assistance to farmers whose land is a source of agricultural pollution or is affected by wind or water erosion. The 1979 program advocates providing enduring solutions to these problems, and is aimed at farmers who would not carry out approved conservation practices without some cost-sharing incentive. The payment limit on cost-sharing is $5,500 per person.

The county ACP will be based on a set of practices developed at the national level. These practices will represent a wide range of solutions to conservation and pollution problems. Additional practices can be developed at the county level to meet specific pollution or conservation problems. State and county development groups will establish a priority system for identifying and solving conservation problems.

Details of the 1979 ACP has been published in the Federal Register. The public has 60 days in which to comment on the proposed program.

Flue Cured Tobacco Quota Comment - The public is invited to submit written comments to USDA concerning the national marketing quota for the 1979-crop flue-cured tobacco. If you are interested you should submit comments to the director, Price support and loan division, USDA-ASCS, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013.

Committee Elections - All known eligible voters will be mailed a ballot for voting in Committee elections by November 24. Please look out for an envelope marked "Ballot Enclosed" about that time. We would like every eligible voter to mark and return their ballot. The ballots must be returned to the ASCS Office by December 2.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

By Becky Moore

On Sunday, November 12, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hopkins said their "good-by's to their daughter, Mrs. Wanda Lee Cifer and two grandchildren, Kristy, 7, and Garnett Cifers, Jr., 10. The Cifers have been visiting in their parents and grandparents home since June of this year. Awaiting the papers that will permit them to join their father, Sgt. Lee Cifer, in Germany.

The Cifer family have been stationed in New York City for the past two years. Sgt. and Mrs. Cifer and two children are expected to remain in Germany for a period of three to five years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Howkins, parents of Mrs. (Ruth) Martin Webb, of Roanoke, will arrive in Appomattox in time for the Thanksgiving holidays. Mrs. Howkins is recovering from severe burns she received a few weeks ago while disconnecting an electrical frypan in her kitchen. It was believed at one time Mrs. Howkins would have to have plastic surgery on her face, however Ruth tells me that after treatments twice a week in Roanoke, the doctors believe this is no longer necessary.

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Happy holidays to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Howkind and to Miss Inies Murel Geisler of New York City, sister of (Doc), W. P. Geisler of Concord. Miss Geisler will arrive in Lynchburg by plane at 4 p.m. November 22 and will remain with her brother until Sunday, Nov. 26.

Doc tells me his sister has recently returned from a trip abroad where she traced and reunited with some of their long lost relatives. I am looking forward to an interview with Miss Geisler to which Doc has promised me.

Mr. W. L. Edwards, of Eden, N.C., age 86, father of Mrs. Henry C. Moore and grandfather of Ricky and Dena Moore, will drive to Appomattox, accompanied by Dena Moore. They will spend several days past the holidays as Dena will take a few days' vacation from her clerical position as secretary for Cone Mills, Inc., Greensboro. Athena Modres is a graduate of U. NC., Greensboro and holds a BS Degree in Elementary Education.

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The Robert C. Moores of Appomattox (Cal and Roma), The Edwin Wilsons, The L.C. Smiths, of Deltaville, Va., returned from a week's tour of Knoxville, Oakridge, Nashville, Opry Land, Rock City and Chattonooga Choo Choo, Tenn. When you enter the restored old station it takes you back to the Victorian era. The terminal station building is on the National Register for historic preservation. Roma tells us this luxurious "diner" seats up to 1,3000 visitors under and around the world's highest - free - standing dome.

Cal, Roma and friends will never forget an "Overnighter" on one of a fleet of passenger train cars, now restored as unique sleeprs - all in the Victorian style with modern conveniences. A year-round swimming pool and waterfall.

Parking was easy, you just leave your Chevy Van, (as the above party were touring in) under the watchful eye of the attendant and catch "Little Hobo" the old fashioned electric trolley waiting to carry you to the main station house.

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Peggy Lawson, Ann Garrett, Judy Smith and Tootsie Eggleston spent a few days in Williamsburg recently.

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Rindy Lawson, a 1977 graduate of Appomattox County High School, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lawson, is a freshman this year at William and Mary College in Williamsburg. Peggy and friends, along with Rindy, were shopping and sight-seeing downtown Williamsburg when they saw the TV cameras and directors filming the "Perry Como Christmas Show", right in back of the Chowning Tavern. John Wayne is Perry's special guest this year! There they were smiling, signing autographs and talking to everybody. "Oh!, how I wished for a camera" Peggy says - and she also added "do you think this is newsy enough for the paper?" Gosh! Peggy if I had been there, I would have had a hissy sure enough!

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(QUOTE(Law was passed by Congress last week - you can not swear Smokey The Bear's name. You can say "Shoot a Pig" without getting into trouble - but not "Shoot Smokey The Bear." (END OF QUOTE)

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Debbie Harris

SEPTEMBER FBLA MEMBER OF THE MONTH

The member of the month of September in the Future Business Leaders of America is an outstanding young lady, ACHS student, and FBLA member. She has been very active in FBLA. She attended a leadership conference in Masenetta Springs this summer, sold "Kit and Kaboodles" and helped the historian construct the bulletin board for the month of September.

The FBLA Member of the Month for September is Debbie Harris.

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